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WHEREAS, A free society such as ours needs a strong Army to protect its highest interest in times of grave national peril; and an Army, to be strong and effective must be an Army entirely contemporary and in tune with the needs of its citizen soldiers and needs of the larger society it serves and protects; and,

WHEREAS, The Modern Volunteer United States Army is taking new and bold steps to accommodate the legitimate sensitivities of today's young American men and woman as it builds for this great country a smaller, but quality military force; and,

WHEREAS, Today's Army offers to our brightest and most promising young men and women the opportunity for advanced education and training in more than 300 different jobs, that they become more useful and responsible citizens of our nation; and,

AHEREAS, Answering the call to serve one's country can and should be a highly honorable vocation, meriting the respect and esteem of all Americans:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of September, 1972, as

MODERN VOLUNTEER ARMY MONTH

in South Dakota, and I commend this observance to all of our citizens and especially to the young people of our State between the ages of 17 and 21.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 30th day of August, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-two.

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE